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## HEROISM IN THE PITTS

Men in the coal camps are hard and sometimes grim. But children are born in the shadows of the changes. They learn to laugh and to cry, to obey prosperity and to suffer the hardships of unemployment and slum poverty of a living.

They grow up to be men and women who have learned to live on the wages sent their mother down into the black pits to toil and sweat for a living.

And sometimes the morning road by kiss of the sun's wife is a bitter trial.

Look for Tom Jones.

Last Monday morning he bid his wife and child good bye and hurried to his job as pit boy in the Thomas mine, Naomie, near Drumheller.

Hours later his lifeless body was found in a coal drift. He had lost an explosion. It was a quiet of safety, but he remained in the gas-choked tunnel a valiant effort to rescue two trapped com-

rades. Tom Jones is a strong man and a brave man, a man of man that grows in the coal camps, where life is hard and sometimes grim.

## LET GEORGE DO IT

It is a poor representation of progress that attended the high school meeting last Monday.

The meeting was strictly the horse and cart of parent, boy and girl attending high school, and was call to determine whether to continue the high school plan for another term or to start a taproot.

A subject of such vital interest should command the attention of every parent concerned. Apparently it did not for only a few parents were on hand. The result is a disappointment to all.

At away the plan was endorsed

by another term. The next step is to round up fathers and mothers who stayed away from the meeting, convince them the plan should have their support for another year and determine the time of year.

It means a lot of hard work for the parents, especially interested to work to keep in the standard of high school, but in Bassano Fortunately for parents and pupils there are a lot of people like that.

## SPORTS DAY

Everyone enjoyed sports day at the school yesterday. Athletes who had been given a chance to show what their teams are home formed. Indians are tightening up holds and pressure demonstrate in the back board event. Basketball capitals are rearranging their teams. Gymnasts are putting out carnivals games and competing assistants.

And the public is preparing to欢 Bassano in anticipation of the best sports day in many a year.

It is not expecting too much for the large Dominion Day crowd to be here. But the day has turned out to be a day of fun, full of good fun and become men are in cheerful spirits and a general feeling of optimism prevalent. This after four years of bare hot weather and no sports.

Under such conditions we can look forward to a large attendance at the Dominion Day sports, July 2.

Again the Liberal government is showing its strength. The government of Ottawa and Saskatchewan have turned out the Conservatives and voted the Liberals to power. Party patriots will claim the election to suffice the people are returning to the principles of Liberalism, but if the feelings of the average voter could be ascertained we would probably find that he was simply disenchanted with his lot in life and hoped to improve it by a change in government. The people today are asking for a temperature, not a sun, not only party clad so far as whether the storm is the Alberta father group. And they may have a stiff fight to win the next election.

An ocean voyage within the confines of Canada on luxurious modern vessels with every facility for amusement is offered by the Canadian Pacific with its three ships on the Great Lakes. They have been named the *McNicol* and *Fort William*. It represents a trip of 600 miles with 20 hours sail, often out of sight of land.

Camping to a golf course to get in your dive-displacing books and slices is the unique characteristic of the French River Chalet-Bungalow Camp blue hills. The camp is located 215 miles north of Toronto on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

## Today and Tomorrow

by Frank Parker Stockbridge

### History and Laws

The key to the future lies in the study of the past. If you want to know whether this, that or the other scheme for saving mankind from the economic woes of the day fully will work read history.

From time immemorial people have had a belief in the magic of facts. Laws can make people good, or so they believe. The problem is to come to a knowledge of what these laws are.

Two thousand and more years ago the Greek philosopher Plato wrote:

"Men, choosing people as they are, then not as good as they are, then they will make out to be the dishonest and lawless of mankind."

Plato's wise said much the same thing, said Solon Paul. The same is true of the impossibility of the lawless, lawless, lawless, and the growth of the human race.

### Plans

Men of imagination have tried

to work out plans for the

United Kingdom which everybody

wanted to have.

Thomas More, Ed

ward Bellamy and many others have written pamphlets books telling how a planned economy would operate.

None of them ever worked, because all of them were based on the assumption that the world would remain unchanged with economic and social conditions to have a steady state.

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## The Week at Ottawa

(by Dr. F. W. Gerhard, M. P. A.)

### Ottawa, May 29, 1934

If Canadians are only permitted to grow the amount of food products that the market will bear, the disaster faces the farmers of the West. Although the difficulty of finding a market is real yet there are signs of the clouds clearing.

France once purchased 50 million bushels of Canadian wheat last year. Now the exports have had a drop of \$11.44 against our wheat. The representative said at home a few days ago that she would reduce her share and lower the barrier.

There was more buying of her product by the wheat exporting countries.

In the United Kingdom wheat can be had for 2 shillings yet grown wheat is being subsidized to the extent of 3 shillings and 6 pence. The government is compelled to take to the banks the cost of the relentless policy of Mr. Elliott, Minister of Agriculture, to make Great Britain self-sufficient in regard to natural products.

In Bulgaria there is an enormous surplus of wheat, the purchase and sale of wheat both at home and abroad. The board in charge may have more world prices and export at great loss to the taxpayer. The result is that the cost of living is high and those not producing wheat are not able to buy it at a reasonable price so that wheat famine exists.

The remedy would be to induce the nations of Europe to buy our grain. The board said to us to buy from foreign markets that can produce cheaply.

We need their products because it is high the average value of clothing bought for each Canadian farm wife \$2.26 and in 1933 this had dropped to \$1.76. In turn the board said we can't afford to let our families have a certain amount of home consumption because it is a waste of a wide range of command.

For example the price of the AAA

reduction from the time

that the Calgary exhibition and Stampede

was held to July 24 to 11

will be a certain success. The

expansion of relief as of June 1st

the year compared to a total of 52,831 more women and children shown in the relief lists at the same time in 1932. This is an increase of 21%.

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There are the usual features that all

the share a larger share than others.

These include the relief of the

poor and disabled and relief for

the unemployed and the old.

The rates have been increased to

over \$1,000, the Stampede Parade

for which H. R. H. the

Prince of Wales had not donated a

large amount of money.

Canada has been granted a

loan of \$100,000,000 by the

United States.

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